MAY 2 0 2003 **Application Number** 09/955,306 **TRANSMITTAL** September 19, 2001 Filing Date **FORM** (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing) First Named Inventor Kutoshi KUNIYOSHI et al. **Group Art Unit** 1742 **Examiner Name** John P. Sheehan Total Number of Pages in This Submission Attorney Docket Number 743421-43 ENCLOSURES (check all that apply) Assignment Papers After Allowance Communication to Group Fee Transmittal Form (for an Application) Appeal Communication to Board of Fee Attached Appeals and Interferences Drawing(s) Response to Restriction Appeal Communication to Group Declaration and Power of Attorney (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) **Proprietary Information** After Final Licensing-related Papers Status Letter Petition Affidavits/declaration(s) **Application Data Sheet** Petition to Convert to a Provisional **Extension of Time Request** Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): **Application Express Abandonment Request** Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address Information Disclosure Statement Terminal Disclaimer Certified Copy of Priority Request for Refund Document(s) CD, Number of CD(s) Response to Missing Parts/ **Incomplete Application** Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 Remarks The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 for the above identified docket number. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT Firm Jeffrey L. Costellia Nixon Peabody LLP Individual name

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Request for Restriction mailed April 18, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 1-8 and 10 without traverse to file a divisional application directed thereto.

REMARKS

Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group II (claims 9 and 11-15), drawn to a rare earth-iron-boron magnet 50-4000 wt ppm oxygen and 150 to 1500 wt ppm nitrogen, in class 148, subclass 302.

Consideration and allowance of the instant application are now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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